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REMARKS

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25X1 1. On 18 February 1952, 4 x 76.2-mm guns and 6 to 8 trucks, [REDACTED] were unloaded at the Gransee (N 54/U 60) railroad station. Numerous field grade officers, including a lieutenant colonel who wore tank insignia were observed on the train.

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2. Between 10 and 24 February, no troops were unloaded at the Wolmirstedt (N 53/Y 61) railroad station which is the detraining point for the Letzling Heath training area. Two troop trains were unloaded at the Magdeburg (N 53/V 60) main railroad station during the night of 22 February. [REDACTED]

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3. A troop train unloaded at the Neuholdensleben (N 53/Y 51) railroad station on 28 February carried 100 soldiers, 4 T-34/85 tanks, 2 SP guns. [REDACTED]

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4. [REDACTED] unloading of a unit at the Neuruppin (N 53/Z 49) main railroad station on 23 February. The train arrived from the direction of Loewenberg. [REDACTED]

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5. On 26 February, five M-13 rocket launchers, [REDACTED] and an unknown number of 76.2-mm field guns and trucks were unloaded at the Velten railroad station. (4)

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6. On 24 February, about 20 trucks, each carrying one pontoon, were loaded over the ramp at Doeberitz (N 53/Z 65) airfield. [REDACTED]

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7. A total of 40 to 50 soldiers with red-bordered black epaulets were observed. (5)

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25X1 8. On 1 March, a troop train, without an engine, was observed at the Jueterbog (N 52/E 69) railroad station.

25X1 9. On 14 February, 80 to 100 soldiers were observed in Weissig near Dresden (N 52/E 29) constructing three overhead lines along the road to Dresden.

25X1 [redacted] A radio car with a rod antenna was seen standing in Weissig. (8)

25X1 Comments.

25X1 (1) The two troop trains probably came from the Greifswald-Neubrandenburg area where small elements of all units subordinate to the Third Shock Army began a field exercise on 18 February 1952.

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25X1 (2) [redacted] the train carried a tank unit [redacted] This indicates that the tank firing practice by small components of all tank units in the Soviet Zone of Germany will be resumed at Lotz-ling Heath as has been done during the last two summers.

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25X1 (3) [redacted] The train probably came from the Jueterbog area where components of the division moved on 18 February 1952.

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25X1 (4) The rocket launchers belong to the unidentified rocket launcher regiment of the Second Gds Mecz Army in Schneverwolde.

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25X1 (5) [redacted]

25X1 (6) [redacted]

25X1 (7) The troop train carried a component of the unidentified AAA division of the Fourth Gds Mecz Army. The unit probably came from the Fuerstenwalde post from which all components of the division departed by rail on 27 February 1952.

25X1 [redacted] a train with a component of the same division going toward Beeskow via Frankfurt/Oder. [redacted] As the train observed at the Jueterbog railroad station did not have a locomotive, the troops were possibly unloaded there.

25X1 (8) The trucks observed belong to headquarters units of the First Gds Mecz Army.

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